

REMARKS

The above amendment is believed to place the claims in proper condition for examination.

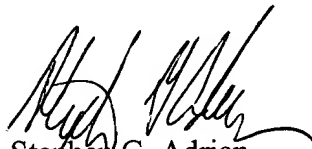
Early and favorable action is awaited.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Claims 7, 11, 13 and 14 have been amended as follows:

7. (Amended) The powder as defined in claim 1[, 2 or 6] or 2, wherein said zinc oxide has a crystalline size of 1000 \AA at the longest as obtained from Scherrer's equation.

11. (Amended) A cosmetics comprising the powder as defined in [any one of claims 1 to 4] claim 1 or 2.

13. (Amended) A sebum-adsorbent agent comprising the powder as defined in claim 1[, 2 or 4] claim 1 or 2.

14. (Amended) A body deodorant comprising the powder as defined in claim 1[, 2 or 4] claim 1 or 2.